

## Administration

### Notice of City Offices Closed



City offices will be closed Monday, May 25, 2014, in observance of Memorial Day.

### Upcoming Events

Don't miss out on these upcoming special events:

- Annual Taste of Rialto  
June 4, 5:00 – 8:00 pm  
Northeast corner of Rialto & Riverside Avenues  
*For more information contact Rialto Chamber of Commerce at (909) 875-5364.*
- Murder Maestro Please  
June 6, 6:00 pm  
Rialto Branch Library, 251 W. First Street  
*For ticket information contact the Rialto Library at (909) 875-0144.*
- Run Whatcha Brung Car Show & Cruise  
June 12, 5:00 – 9:00 pm – Cruise on Foothill Boulevard (Route 66)  
June 13, 7:00 am – 4:00 pm – Car show in Downtown Rialto  
*For more information contact (909) 877-0200 or go to [www.rialtorotary.org](http://www.rialtorotary.org).*

## City Clerk/Management Services

### Memorial Day Tribute

The City of Rialto invites you to attend the Memorial Day Tribute, May 25, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. The event will be held at the Rialto Park Cemetery, 200 N. Willow Avenue. For more information contact the City Clerk's office at (909) 820-2519.

### Rialto's Certified Farmers' Market

Rialto's Certified Farmers' Market is held every Wednesday, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Farmers' Market is located at City Hall where vendors sell a variety of fresh vegetables, fruits and nuts at a reasonable cost to consumers. Come out and see what our local growers have to offer!



## Economic Heartbeat of Rialto

Mayor Deborah Robertson's Economic Heartbeat of Rialto can be seen on the Rialto Network, Channels 3 and 99. It is also available on live stream via the city's web site, [www.rialtoca.gov](http://www.rialtoca.gov). This show is an in-depth interview with local Rialto businesses.

## Administrative & Community Services

### Finance

The Finance Division is in the middle of the Fiscal Year 2015/16 budget process reviewing and compiling the requests from City Departments to present the budget to the City Council in the month of June. The City Council Budget Workshop is scheduled to be held on Thursday, May 21 at 6:00 pm. The Finance Division has prepared the Fiscal Year 2014/15 3rd Quarter Interim Reports to be presented to Council on May 12, 2015.

### Recreation

#### Summer Series - Movies & Concerts in the Park

This year the Recreation Division will host a summer series of movies and concerts in the park, opening with the movie "Cat in the Hat" at Rialto City Hall and the Rialto Branch Library. The summer series continues through July 4<sup>th</sup> with movies, music and search for the Sound of Rialto star. Come enjoy a good time with an outdoor setting. Bring a picnic, blanket or chair and take advantage of these **free** events. Concerts begin at 6:00 pm, and movies are at 8:15 pm. For information, call 909-877-9706.

#### Spring Eggstravaganza

The third annual City of Rialto Spring Eggstravaganza event was hosted on Saturday, April 4, 2015. The City of Rialto once again partnered with the Rialto Branch Library to provide Rialto residents with a spring celebration all in attendance enjoyed! Spring Eggstravaganza included egg hunts, crafts, spring games, and pictures with the Easter Bunny inside the library.



## Drowning Prevention and Children's Safety Day

On Saturday, April 11, 2015 the City of Rialto, in conjunction with Kiwanis Club of East Rialto, hosted Drowning Prevention and Children's Safety Day. The sun deck at the Racquet and Fitness Center was occupied with 19 safety information booths. The event also included a Fit4Kids seminar focused on the benefits of healthy eating and importance of good nutrition. The event concluded with an event raffle in which children had the opportunity to win life jackets, and a variety of sports equipment. Thanks to the Police Department and incredible support from Fire Department and CHP, numerous car seat safety checks were conducted. The event proved to be a success and all in attendance had a great time and enjoyed a day out.

## Rialto Racquet and Fitness Center

We would like to welcome 26 new and renewed annual members and 15 trial members to the City of Rialto's Racquet and Fitness Center this month. We look forward to introducing our new clients to other areas of fitness that we offer here at the facility like Vibe Fitness Boot Camp and Personal Training, swimming lessons, group exercise classes, etc. Their fitness goals become ours as we strive to provide them with the best customer service and assistance in the facility. Our floor staff is scheduled throughout the day to show our clients how to use each machine and inform clients of upcoming events within the facility and City.



A new addition to fitness programs is our Fitness Orientation class which will begin May 12th. Current members and paid guests are welcome to attend. They will get useful information regarding beginning to advanced exercise routines and common questions for the fitness-seeking individuals. In addition, May 1st sparks our Summer Savings special. Our Specialized Group Exercise Class pass is only \$30.00 for one month - a savings of \$6.00. Clients who are solely interested in one class type will benefit from this summer savings. We look forward to enhancing our client's experience with the variety of options we have for the community to get fit.

Members are appreciating the new treadmills and they are a great addition to the club. We are planning to open the new Vibe Fitness training area in the next month once the flooring is in. We hope to replace our old Cardio Theater with a better system to enhance the client's experience this upcoming fiscal year.

We anticipate ongoing growth throughout the facility as we continue our fitness center specials throughout the year. For more information please contact us at (909) 820-2611 x107.

### Tom Sawyer Swimming Pool

On April 11th the City partnered with the Kiwanis Club of East Rialto to host its 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Drowning Prevention and Safety Day. There were 78 participants from 4 years to 14 years old in the water safety class who had a blast. Not only did they get the opportunity to meet our wonderful instructors they gained knowledge that could one day save their life or someone else's.

In addition, our swim lesson program is ramping up for the warmer Spring season. We had 85 enrolled participants in April for our group and private swim lessons with anticipation of growth into the Summer season. Our daily swimming pool pass holders are up to 739. This includes lap and recreation swim purchases.

### FIT4KIDS

April 2015 was an exciting month for Fit4Kids! Our staff has been busily preparing for the upcoming Fit4Kids Summer Sports and Fitness Camps which will be held at two separate sites this year! The Rialto Racquet and Fitness Center and the Carl Johnson Community Center will both host an 8-week long Summer Sports and Fitness Camp that are designed to keep the youth of Rialto active, engaged and developing socially during the long Summer months. Fit4Kids is eagerly looking forward to providing high-quality fitness programming this Summer!

Fit4Kids also wrapped up the Winter Session with our quarterly pot luck lunch and awards ceremony! Fit4Kids staff hosted more than 20 of our youth participants and their families as we recognized Fit4Kids that have excelled in showing outstanding fitness abilities, strong character and exemplary leadership skills. A great time was had by all and we look forward to the upcoming activities that we have planned.

### KidStuff Program

This month the KidStuff program (Preston Preschool and Tiny Tots) also received a new fundraising opportunity for the entire program. Beginning this month, KidStuff will receive 10% of all proceeds generated through picture day.

The end of the year is quickly approaching and we are getting ready for Graduation in June. The ceremony will be held on Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>.

### Tiny Tots

The Tiny Tots program has seen more progressive changes in April 2015. The Community Center now has two classes available for Tiny Tots participants. Both classes are fully equipped with classroom furniture, fun and age-appropriate décor, materials and supplies, and also expecting a dose of new participants in the upcoming months. With the opening of the additional classroom, the Tiny Tots program at the Community Center can now hold up to 34 participants per month.

## Rialto Sports Program

### *Youth Basketball (Divisions 2-4)*

Winter Season of Youth Basketball concluded on April 18th, 2015. Our Division 4 crowned a new champion this season, "Gamma." The Division 3 saw a new champion crowned, "Dragons." Our Division 2 saw the return of last season's champions, Titans." The season ended with anticipation for the summer, which is slated to begin on June 6th, 2015. We hope to add new participants thanks to the R.U.S.D. elementary league.

### *Youth Basketball (Division 1)*

The Rialto Pride season is scheduled to begin on June 6th, 2015. As of right now, we have 20 potential athletes who are interested in joining the team. The Pride will host a skills assessment/tryout on May 16th, 2015. The Pride resonates within the community as interest continues to grow. We look forward to working with the youth of Rialto, and continuing the Rialto Pride tradition. As always, the Rialto Pride would like to send a huge thank you to volunteer coaches for all their hard work and dedication to the team.

### *Girls Volleyball*

The winter season of volleyball came to an end on April 17th, 2015. A new champion was crowned, S.M.A.S.H. This team fought an exciting match against a newer team, "Hit or Miss." The teams were evenly matched and the final match ran span for almost 45 minutes. The City of Rialto congratulated S.M.A.S.H. with individual trophies and commemorative t-shirts. The summer season is scheduled to begin on June 5th, 2015.

### *Little Tots Tee-Ball*

Our Little Tots Sports program continues with Tee- Ball. This is one of our most popular Little Tots Programs. With two sites, Margret Todd Park and Fergusson Park, the little ones enjoy weekly lessons on America's pastime. Each site boasts over 25 participants. This is an 8-week session which allows parents a great deal of interaction. Both sessions end on May 23rd, 2015.

### *Adult Basketball*

The winter season of Adult Basketball concluded with the crowning of a new champion, "Buquetz." The summer season is already anticipated to be exciting as six teams will be returning and two former champions will return to try to reclaim their crown. This league has galvanized the community and become a "Sunday Night" event.

### *Elementary Basketball Season*

This special season is going strong, with vibrant parent support. The stands are packed weekly with excited fans, cheering their team to victory. The Rialto Unified School District has asked the Rialto Recreation Department to administer and facilitate its entire Elementary school basketball program. This season will end on May 30th, 2015.



## Rialto Senior Center

The City of Rialto Recreation and Community Services Division, along with the Friends of Rialto Senior Center will hold their annual Senior Prom, May 14, 2015 from 4:00 to 8:00 pm at the Senior Center. Live music will be provided by "Southern Star," and light refreshments will be served. Pre-sale tickets are \$5.00 and \$7.00 at the door. Seating is first come first served. For more information, call 909-877-9706.

## **Human Resources**

### Applicant Processing/Employee New Hires

Human Resources has received and screened 373 applicants in the last 30 days. We have hired and processed 11 new employees and 1 promotion.

### FULL-TIME

<b>Employee Name</b>	<b>Position Title</b>	<b>Department</b>
Daniel Medina	Broadcast Production Specialist (Promotion)	City Clerk
Edgar Villarreal, Jr.	Police Officer Pre-Service	Police
Robert Platt	IT Analyst	Police

### PART-TIME

<b>Employee Name</b>	<b>Position Title</b>	<b>Department</b>
Andrew Najera	Lifeguard	Recreation
Andy Carpio	Recreation Leader	Recreation
Frank Nava	Lifeguard	Recreation
Jacqua Morrison	Administrative Aide	Human Resources
Jennifer Kutz	Administrative Aide	Development Services
Joseph Lopez	Police Cadet	Police
Karlie Valenzuela	Police Cadet	Police
Melina Villagomez	Lifeguard	Recreation

### Current Open Recruitments

The City of Rialto is currently hiring for the following positions:

<b>Position Title</b>	<b>Closing Date</b>	<b>Position Type</b>
Aerobics Instructor II	Continuous	Part-Time
Emergency Dispatcher II	Continuous	Full-Time
Lifeguard	Continuous	Part-Time
Lifeguard/WSI	Continuous	Part-Time
Police Officer (Lateral)	Continuous	Full-Time
Reserve Police Officer	Continuous	Volunteer

## Prescription Drug Discount Program

The **Prescription Discount Card** is made available to residents by the City of Rialto in collaboration with the National League of Cities (NLC) and is made possible through City of Rialto membership in NLC.

The card is **FREE to all City of Rialto residents**, regardless of age, income or existing health insurance. By using this card you **may save an average of 20%** off the regular retail price of prescription drugs at participating pharmacies. *This program is NOT insurance. Discounts are only available at participating pharmacies.*

Discount cards are available at:

- \* City of Rialto website:  
<http://www.rialtoca.gov>
- \* Human Resources – 246 S. Willow Ave.
- \* Senior Center – 1411 S. Riverside Ave.
- \* Library – 251 W. First Street
- \* Recreation – 214 N. Palm Ave., #204
- \* Chamber of Commerce –  
120 N. Riverside Ave.



### NLC Prescription Discount Card Program Participating Cities - Monthly and Cumulative Savings

City	Month	Total Rxs	Price Savings	Avg. Price Savings	% Price Savings	Total Utilizers
CA, RIALTO	JANUARY 2015	20	\$ 160.85	\$ 8.04	23.6%	10
CA, RIALTO	FEBRUARY 2015	23	\$ 139.03	\$ 6.04	25.2%	13
CA, RIALTO	MARCH 2015	25	\$ 274.04	\$ 10.96	33.8%	13

## Rialto Community Career Center

The new Community Career Center is open!! Residents have access to six computers to assist with job searches, job banks, resume writing, etc... The center provides access to job seekers with a printer, fax machine, and other job searching tools at no cost. There is also postings for other agencies available for review/copy. The Community Career Center is housed in the Human Resources Division located at 246 S. Willow Avenue.



## **Development Services Department**

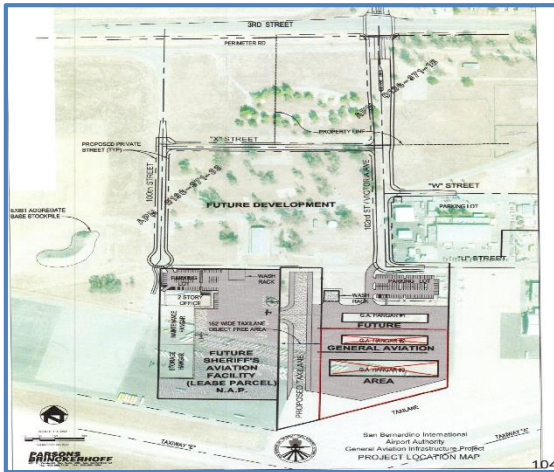
### **Airport Redevelopment Update**

The Airport Redevelopment Project proceeds with several activities underway:

- **Tenant Relocation.** One major non-aviation tenant (Yancey Enterprises) remains at the Airport, in a hangar just easterly of Linden Avenue. This tenant has leased a hangar at Chino Airport, and is processing improvement plans to facilitate a relocation this summer. After relocation of this tenant, the last cluster

of hangars will be demolished. On April 1, 2015 the County Sheriff vacated its facility and delivered the premises to the City.

- **SBIA Improvements.** On April 3, 2015 City staff toured the construction project underway at the San Bernardino International Airport (SBIA). Construction moves quickly on the approximately \$22 million investment in taxiways, hangars, and access improvements:
  - **County Sheriff Aviation Facility.** The County Sheriff is rapidly constructing its state of the art aviation facility, consisting of 50,000 square feet of maintenance area and 10,000 square feet of offices. The County Sheriff expects to take occupancy of the \$12.3 million facility later this year. The City of Rialto contributed \$4.1 million to the project.
  - **General Aviation Hangars.** SBIA continues construction on the general aviation improvements to support the construction of the box hangars required under the City/SBIAA Agreement. The \$10 million project is scheduled for completion by September, 2015.



*Work progresses at the San Bernardino International Airport to develop the general aviation facility illustrated in the left photo. The photo on the right depicts the common taxiway connection to the runway and the pad for the County Sheriff Aviation Facility.*

- **Demolition/Remediation.** The City Council awarded several construction contracts for removal of existing facilities at the Airport:
  - Pantano Excavating completed demolition of most of the vertical hangar structures. On April 28, 2015 the City Council approved a change order to demolish the recently acquired County Sheriff Facility, and remove the underground storage tanks and dispenser facilities. That work will commence on May 4th.
  - Tafoya Associates will commence removal of the underground storage tanks at Mercy Air and Scholl Aviation during May.



- During April, We Care Charities commenced remediation of its former site in accordance with an approved work plan. The Regional Water Quality Control Board and the City are overseeing the work.
- West Tech Contracting will commence the final phase of the demolition and remediation work in May, removing the asphalt and concrete and conducting any required soil remediation. The Regional Water Quality Control Board oversees the remediation effort in accordance with the Polanco Act.
- **Public Improvements.** The Airport area lacks modern public improvements, including streets, sidewalks, and utilities. The City and LHR will expend substantial sums to modernize the public facilities, to accommodate current development and induce future development.
  - **Miro Way Street Improvements.** On March 28, 2015 the City Council approved a Construction Reimbursement Agreement with LHR to manage construction of the Miro Way Improvement Project. The Miro Way Improvement Project constructs Miro Way from Alder Avenue to Linden Avenue, with storm drain improvements extending to the Cactus Basins. LHR received bids for the sewer, water and storm drain improvements during April, and work is expected to commence during May. The total project costs are approximately \$15 million with funding from development impact fees, developer contributions, and Airport Escrow funds.
  - **Alder Avenue Street Improvements.** The City contracted with Dokken Engineering to prepare construction plans for Alder Avenue, with a two phase construction program. The first phase widens Alder Avenue from Miro Way to Renaissance Parkway, to allow four travel lanes as required by the conditions of approval for Medline and Niagara. Offers were made to acquire the two parcels of required right-of-way. Construction on the \$4 million project is scheduled this summer into fall.

The second phase completes the remaining segments from Baseline Road to Renaissance Parkway, with significant right-of-way acquisition causing it to lag the first phase by about 6 months. The second phase improvements are budgeted at \$8 million.

- **Ayala Drive Street Improvements.** The City completed construction drawings for improving Ayala Drive from Baseline Road to the 210 Freeway. The City acquired all right-of-way for the project. On May 26, 2015 the City Council will consider releasing bid specifications. The \$9 million project will improve access to and from the 210 Freeway, and create the backbone for the future Renaissance Marketplace retail center.

- **Airport Development.** The City sold its first two parcels totaling 83 acres during March, 2015. The Airport property consists of 438 acres, thus approximately 19% of the total acreage has been sold.



*This aerial photo shows the rough grading work underway by Medline and Niagara at the westerly boundary of the Rialto Airport property. Locust Avenue and Miro Way will be extended as part of the project.*

- **Niagara Water** commenced grading for its 600,000 square foot water bottling facility on approximately 38 acres at the northeast corner of Alder Avenue and Miro Way. The construction plans have been approved by the Building Division, and permits will be issued upon completion of the rough grading and pad certification.
- **Medline Industries** commenced grading for its 1.1 million square foot distribution facility on 56 acres at the northwest corner of Miro Way and Locust Avenue. The construction plans have been approved by the Building Division and permits will be issued upon completion of the rough grading and pad certification.

## **Retail Chatter**

- **Food-4-Less** completed its new gas station in a portion of the Renaissance Shopping Center parking lot located at the corner of Foothill Boulevard and Cedar Avenue.
- Demolition commenced in preparation for the new **McDonalds** restaurant in the Renaissance Shopping Center. In conjunction with these projects, the City opened bids for the construction of a traffic signal at the main entrance of the Renaissance Center and Home Depot Center on Foothill Boulevard, and the construction of a raised median on Cedar Avenue to restrict left-hand turning

movements into and out of the Renaissance Center from/to Cedar Avenue. On May 26, the City Council will consider a bid award.

- **Tacos El Gavilan** completed its new restaurant at the corner of Baseline Road and Riverside Avenue and will open in May.



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*The vestiges of the building that once housed Hollywood Video, and more recently Verizon Wireless coming down for a new McDonald's restaurant (left photo). Tacos El Gavilan putting on the finishing touches prior to opening (right photo).*

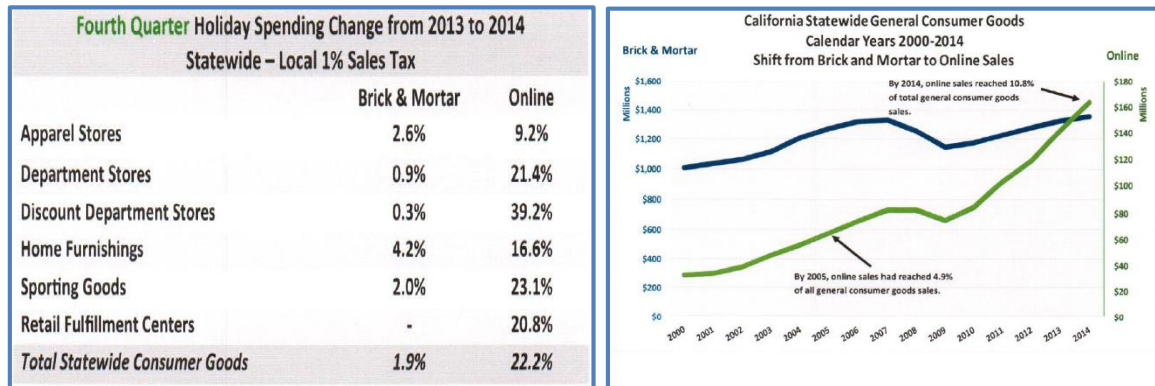
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- The **International Council of Shopping Centers** convention runs from May 17<sup>th</sup> to May 20<sup>th</sup> at the Las Vegas Convention Center. The City of Rialto will once again promote its retail opportunities from its booth in the "Cities of the World" section. This convention attracts upwards of 50,000 retailers, developers, vendors, and cities throughout the world.
- **Wal-Mart** received a rough grading permit last September, and has submitted precise grading and public improvement plans for plancheck. It also submitted its building plans for second plancheck. Assuming normal turnaround times, all City permits should be ready for issuance this summer.
- **The Changing Retail Landscape: Traditional Brick and Mortar versus Online Shopping.** The shopping center as we know it may be in the early stages of its demise, courtesy of your personal computer. The Hdl Companies compared the sales growth rates for various retail sales categories from 2013 to 2014. Sales for consumer goods from online stores grew at a rate of 22.2%, while traditional brick and mortar stores grew at a paltry 1.9% rate over the one year period. Longer term, online sales have grown from 4.9% of total taxable sales in 2005 to 10.8% in 2014. While traditional brick and mortar retail outlets still dominate, the trends are moving aggressively toward online sales. The sales category that appears to be under the greatest challenge are the discount department stores.

What does this portend for land use changes in Rialto and other cities in California? The demand for retail store space may diminish, while the demand for warehouse space will grow – Rialto and the Inland Empire are currently witnessing this dynamic at work. This may mean that poorly located retail centers will struggle and new centers will have a tougher time coming out of the



ground, as the demand for locally purchased goods declines. These obsolete centers may need to be redeveloped for other uses, such as housing. This trend may also alter the historical formula for point of sale tax allocations, as more and more online activity moves into the countywide and statewide pools.



## Planning Commission Summary

The Planning Commission reviewed the following project in April:

- **Conditional Development Permit No. 767.** The Planning Commission approved a request to allow the expansion of an existing charter high school into a 3,400 square foot adjacent commercial unit located at 242 East Base Line Road within the C-1A (Community Shopping Center) zone.

During the month of April 2015 the Planning Division reviewed 13 site plans for future development projects including the following notables:

- **Warehouse Shoe Sales** proposes development of a 14,027 square foot shoe store and a 15,000 square foot multi-tenant building on 2.49 acres of land located at the northeast corner of Foothill Boulevard and Cactus Avenue. Staff reviewed the revised architectural elevations. WSS will relocate from Foothill Boulevard and Riverside Avenue.
- **Pacific Retail Partners** submitted for architectural review of its outlying pads for the Rialto Marketplace anchored by the Wal-Mart Supercenter. The proposed pads offer retail and restaurant opportunities.
- Staff visited the City of Fontana to observe the land management software system developed by **CRW Systems**. The City of Fontana utilizes the system to manage the payment, entitlement and permitting functions of its Development Services Department. The City of Rialto is considering CRW Systems and Energov for its land development management software, with implementation scheduled during FY 16.
- City staff met with the **Rialto Unified School District** regarding the Superfund project, encompassing the development of a new extraction well and treatment system located at Jerry Eaves Park and portions of Ayala Drive, Miro Way, and Linden Avenue.

- **Panattoni I210 Logistics Center III** proposes a 730,345 square foot warehouse at the northeast corner of Alder Avenue and Baseline Road in the Renaissance Specific Plan.
- **United Pipe & Steel** proposes to expand an existing pipe supply operation onto approximately 1.67 acres of vacant land. The project includes the installation of asphalt paving, retaining walls, landscaping, and a retention basin. The project site is located on the south side of Rialto Avenue approximately 350 feet west of Lilac Avenue.
- **ARCO/Amit Solhatra** proposes to develop a gas station on 1.62 acres of vacant land located on the east side of Ayala Drive approximately 270 feet north of Base Line Road. The project includes the construction of a 3,939 square foot canopy with eight (8) fuel dispensers, a 3,600 square foot convenience market, and a 2,310 square foot car wash.
- **JC Supply & Manufacturing** proposes to convert an existing development located at 201 S. Cactus Avenue into a steel fabrication and manufacturing facility.
- **Emad Boulis** proposes to convert an existing building located at 245 E. Valley Boulevard into a motel.
- **Sam Wu** proposes to develop 143 detached single-family residences on approximately 16.4 acres of land located on the north side of Foothill Boulevard between Spruce Avenue and Larch Avenue.
- **FedEx Ground** proposes development of an 110,000 square foot expansion of an existing logistics terminal located at 330 W. Resource Drive.

### Business Licensing

The City welcomed the following businesses to Rialto during the month of March 2015. The City sent each of these new businesses a welcome letter and a statement of appreciation for choosing Rialto as their business home.

<b><u>Business Name</u></b>	<b><u>Address</u></b>	<b><u>Goods/Service</u></b>
Cricket Wireless	272 W. Baseline Rd.	Retail Wireless Service Provider
Major Brain Freeze	186 E. Easton Ave.	Retail Food
Premier Barbers	550 W. Foothill Blvd.	Barbershop
Throne Motors	225 W. Slover Ave.	



## Implementation of Measure U

The Business License Division commenced implementation of the liquid fuel storage tax. Notices regarding the tax were sent to property owners and to the physical address(es) of each such business in the City.

## Building Division Report

During the month of April, 2015 the Building Division provided the following services:

- **Plancheck Submittals.** A total of 81 plans were submitted for plancheck with solar applications representing the largest share. Major construction projects like Walmart, Medline, Niagara, and Panattoni and the proposed apartment complex on Bloomington and Riverside moved through the plancheck process.
- **Plancheck Approvals.** The Building Division approved 79 plans for permit issuance, primarily for solar installations and tenant improvement projects and remodeling. Of those, 17 represent over the counter plan checks completed the same day. The average review period for first plan check was 8 business days.
- **Building Permits Issued.** The Building Division issued 233 building permits and plancheck and permit receipts totaled \$69,560. Total building permit and plancheck revenues for FY15 are \$1,666,154 compared to \$1,648,080 for the same period during FY14.
- **Development Impact Fees Collected.** The Building Division collected \$72,550 in development impact fees. Total development impact fee receipts for FY 15 are \$1.7 million compared to \$3.7 million during the same period during FY14.
- **Building Inspections.** The City's building inspectors performed 759 inspections, or 42 inspections per working day.
- **Final Certificates of Occupancy.** The Building Division issued final certificates of occupancy for a total of 20 projects.

## Code Enforcement Services

The Code Enforcement Division received 60 new complaints during the month of April, issued 192 Notices of Violation, 8 Administrative Citations, assessed \$98,250 in fines, and issued 10 Court Citations. Code Enforcement received 149 calls and counter inquiries and conducted the following special enforcement activities:

- **Illegal Weekend Yard Sales.** Code Enforcement Officers and Code Enforcement Volunteers contacted and educated 10 citizens in regards to unpermitted yard sales.
- **Scavengers.** Code Enforcement Officers continue to work with Rialto Police Department and Burrtec Disposal Services and contacted 9 scavengers, citing 3 for violation of RMC 8.08.030 (unlawful collection) and for RMC 9.98.090 (c) (possession of a shopping cart).

- **Homeless Encampments.** Code Enforcement Officers, and members of the Rialto Police Department conducted a sweep for homeless encampments, and contacted 2 subjects in the 1600 block North Pepper Street wash area. Code Enforcement and members of the Rialto Police Department also conducted a joint sweep with Colton Police and Code Enforcement in removing a homeless encampment on the border line of East Valley Blvd. and South Sycamore Ave. The Police Departments checked all subjects for wants and warrants.
- **Illegal Weekend Food and Flower Vendors.** Code Enforcement Officers contacted 7 illegal street vendors located on the main commercial thoroughfares of the City and cited 3 vendors at City parks.

### **City Council Approves First Sale of Successor Agency Parcels**

On April 28, 2015, the Successor Agency approved the sale of 5 Successor Agency parcels totaling 6.3 acres to Panattoni Development Company for \$2.2 million. The parcels facilitate assemblage of sites for two proposed distribution centers, a 754,000 square foot warehouse and a 439,000 square foot warehouse. The California Department of Finance approved the transactions. The sales proceeds will be distributed to all property tax recipients, with the City of Rialto receiving approximately 14% or \$308,000.

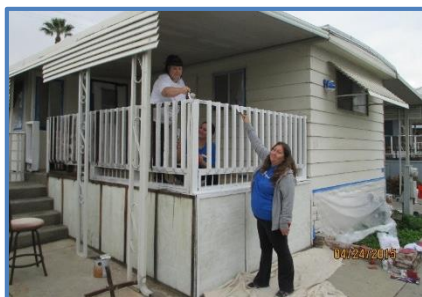
The City Council also accepted title to 7 Successor Agency parcels that were designated in the Long Range Property Management Plan for government use.

### **City Partners with GRID Alternatives for Solar Energy Improvements**

On April 28, 2015, the City Council approved a collaboration with GRID Alternatives to market a solar energy program to low-income homeowners in qualified target areas. The program is funded through the California Public Utility Commission and the State's Cap and Trade Program. GRID Alternatives seeks to complete 20 projects in Rialto in 2015. GRID Alternatives is a non-profit solar company that installs solar systems on qualifying homes, providing needed savings for families struggling to make ends meet while preparing workers for jobs in the fast-growing solar industry and cleaning the air. Call the City at (909) 820-8014 for additional information.

### **Habitat Conducts Minor Repair for Homeowners in RAMROD Mobile Home Park**

On April 24, 2015, Habitat for Humanity San Bernardino Area conducted minor repairs to 10 mobile homes at RAMROD as part of their "Brush to Kindness Program". Over 15 volunteers participated in the repairs. The event was scheduled for two days, but Habitat canceled the second day due to rain. Habitat will schedule another day to complete the work.



## **Renaissance Village Apartment Complex Improvements Progress**

On July 8, 2014, the Rialto Housing Authority Board approved refinancing bonds for the Renaissance Village apartment complex. In the mid-1990's, the former Redevelopment Agency and National Community Renaissance of California acquired and rehabilitated a distressed multi-family neighborhood situated in the 200 north block of Glenwood Avenue, now known as Renaissance Village. The bond refinance delivered about \$6.7 million of major interior and exterior improvements. The property owner is phasing the improvements, which is currently in its second phase. The property required rehabilitation due to severe mold issues and other deteriorating physical conditions. Once complete, the improvements further stabilize the affordable housing community.

## **Willow Village Apartment Completes Upgrades**

On November 12, 2013, the City Council approved a \$13 million federal bond-financing plan as part of an acquisition and improvement project for the Willow Village Apartment complex. The apartment community consists of 100 rental units, situated at the southwest corner of Baseline Avenue and Willow Avenue. The physical improvements included extensive exterior and interior improvements, including security enhancements. New property management was installed and ownership added social service programs.



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*The new ownership of the Willow Village Apartment complex completed a major physical upgrade to the facility and added a variety of social services to assist residents.*

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## **City Holds Lender Training About Mortgage Assistance Program.**

On April 20, 2015, about 60 lenders and realtors attended lender training about the City's Mortgage Assistance Program ("MAP"). The State CalHome Program funds the MAP program for low-income homebuyers seeking down payment or closing cost assistance to purchase a home in Rialto. Neighborhood Partnership Housing Services ("NPHS") presented the training. NPHS is a HUD approved non-profit housing organization located in Ontario. The City retained NPHS to administer the MAP program. Please call (909) 820-8014 to obtain additional information about the MAP Program.

## Police Department

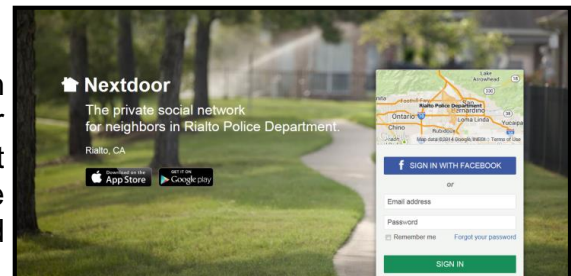
### Follow Rialto PD on Facebook



Facebook allows law enforcement to connect with their communities, post news and alerts, investigate and even solve crimes using information they collect through the site. It's a great way to get feedback, hear opinions, and engage in dialogue with the community you serve. Keep up with what's happening in your community. Visit us on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/RialtoPD>.

### RPD Virtual Neighborhood Watch

Nextdoor is free for residents! Each neighborhood creates its own private Nextdoor website, accessible only to residents of that neighborhood. Rialto residents can use Nextdoor share information about neighborhood watch issues, local events, and local activities.



Nextdoor was specifically designed to make neighbors feel comfortable sharing information with one another in order to help build stronger communities. Neighborhoods establish and self-manage their own Nextdoor website. Information shared on each Nextdoor site is only visible to members who live in the neighborhood and who have verified their address.

For more information you may contact your area commander, Captain Andy Karol, or the Department's Community Liaison at [cnelson@rialtopd.com](mailto:cnelson@rialtopd.com).

### NIXLE



NIXLE is a free service that allows community members to receive trusted, up-to-the-minute, neighborhood information for where you live, work, visit, or for where your family and friends are located throughout the country. You choose the information you want, for the locations you want, from urgent public safety alerts to less time sensitive advisories and community information. You choose how you want to receive the information, whether it's over your cell phone by text message, by email or over the web (or all of the above). You stay connected to what is happening in the community at locations that are relevant to you. Registration is FREE, SIMPLE, and SECURE!

For more information, please contact Captain Andy Karol at 909-820-2526 or email at [akarol@rialtopd.com](mailto:akarol@rialtopd.com).

### Coffee with the Chief



"Coffee with the Chief" offers residents an opportunity to personally meet their Police Chief and other representatives in a casual setting. At "Coffee with the Chief" community members will learn about the police department, special projects, and other related events.



Please join Chief Tony Farrar for our next "Coffee with the Chief" on June 9, 8:00 – 9:00 am, at Carrow's Restaurant – 289 E. Baseline Avenue (there is no meeting in May). For additional information, please contact Jeanette Lopez at 909-820-2565 or email to [jlopez@rialtopd.com](mailto:jlopez@rialtopd.com).

## **New Police Department Program**

The Rialto Police Department would like to introduce its new community campaign - Report it, Don't Ignore it! This campaign was brought about to remind everyone of the importance of reporting crime or suspicious activity. In 2014, together as a community, we reduced property crime by -20.94% and violent crime by -24.42%. As we move into 2015, we want to continue with this positive trend so - Report it, Don't Ignore it!



## **Area Command Program and Community Meetings**

In 2014, the Police Department, in an effort to increase efficiency, combined its area community meetings (the north end areas were combined into one meeting and the south end areas were combined into one meeting). Meetings are held from 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

The North Area Community Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 21, 2015, and will be held at Sunrise Mission Church – 690 W. Etiwanda Avenue. Lieutenant Kathy Thompson is the North Area Commander and she can be reached at 909-820-2560 or [kthompson@rialtopd.com](mailto:kthompson@rialtopd.com).

The South Area Community Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 28, 2015, and will be held at the Inland Lighthouse Church – 1123 S. Cactus Avenue. Lieutenant Jim Kurkoske is the South Area Commander and can be reached at 909-820-2568 or [jkurkoske@rialtopd.com](mailto:jkurkoske@rialtopd.com).

## **DUI Checkpoint**

On April 17, 2015, the Police Departments Traffic Unit conducted a DUI/CDL checkpoint. A total of 964 vehicles were screened through the checkpoint: (1) arrest was made for DUI and (3) arrests were made for outstanding warrants. All DUI checkpoints are grant funded through the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS).



## **National Police Week**

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as Police Week. Currently, tens of thousands of law enforcement officers from around the world converge on Washington, DC to participate in a number of planned events which honor those that have paid the ultimate sacrifice.

The Memorial Service began in 1982 as a gathering in Senate Park of approximately 120 survivors and supporters of law enforcement. Decades later, the event, more commonly known as National Police Week, has grown to a series of events which



attracts thousands of survivors and law enforcement officers to our Nation's Capital each year.



The National Peace Officers' Memorial Service, which is sponsored by the Grand Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police, is one in a series of events which includes the Candlelight Vigil, which is sponsored by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund (NLEOMF) and seminars sponsored by Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.)

National Police Week draws in between 25,000 to 40,000 attendees. The attendees come from departments throughout the United States as well as from agencies throughout the world. This provides a unique opportunity to meet others that share a common brotherhood. In that spirit, the Fraternal Order of Police DC Lodge #1 sponsors receptions each afternoon and evening during Police Week. These events are open to all law enforcement personnel and are an experience unlike any other.

## Earth Day

The City of Rialto hosted its annual Earth Day event on Saturday, April 18, 2015. Thanks to our PRIDE Platoon staff and class, volunteers, and our very young volunteers too, for helping out.

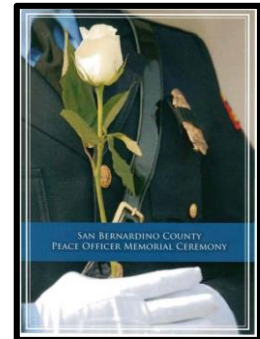


## First Quarter - Air Support Statistics

During the months of January – March 2015, the Regional Air Support Unit was very busy responding to calls for service. The unit logged a total of 249.4 flight hours, was first on scene 167 times, and handled 569 calls for service: Fontana - 314, Rialto - 151, Colton - 67, and Redlands - 37. The unit also assisted on 11 vehicle pursuits, 4 foot pursuits, 113 arrests, 27 alarms, and 207) area checks.

## San Bernardino County Peace Officer Memorial Ceremony

This year's Peace Officer Memorial event will be hosted by the Fontana Police Department. The event will be held on Thursday, May 21, 2015 at 10:00 am, and is open to anyone who would like to attend. The event will be held in front of the Steelworkers Auditorium – 8437 Sierra Avenue, Fontana CA 92335. For more information please call 909-356-7166.



## Fire Department

### Drowning Prevention

Drowning ranks 5th among the leading causes of death in the United States, and children account for 20% of these tragedies. The Rialto Fire Dept. is taking bold steps to stop this trend by visiting each 1st grade class in the Rialto school district to teach kids the "ABCs" of water of safety. This year's



program kicked off on April 21<sup>st</sup> at Casey Elementary School in Rialto. The RFD and the Rialto Unified School District have partnered in this program for a number of years with fantastic success. Each Spring, the RFD sets out to present the “Stewie the Duck Learns to Swim” program to every first-grade student in the district. The programs are presented by the Rialto firefighters through story telling, demonstrations, and a visit by “Stewie the Duck” himself. The RFD now estimates that a total of **12,000** first-grade students in the Rialto School District have participated since the inception of the program. The results have been measured to show a significant decrease in child drownings in Rialto, which is good news for everyone.

In addition local community education, Rialto Fire is also continuing its legacy of promoting water safety by working with Assembly Member Cheryl Brown to support AB 299. This new legislation will require first responders to report all submersion incidents to a central database, which will then allow us to develop efficient ways to enhance our prevention efforts.



### **Every 15 Minutes**

The Rialto Fire Department joined with Rialto PD and Carter High School to present the "Every 15 Minutes" program to their senior class. This graphic display drove home a very strong and important message about the dangers of driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol. The Every 15 Minutes Program offers real-life experience without the real-life risks. This emotionally charged program, entitled Every 15 Minutes, is an event designed to dramatically instill teenagers with the potentially dangerous consequences of drinking alcohol and texting while driving. This powerful program will challenge students to think about drinking, texting while driving, personal safety and the responsibility of making mature decisions when lives are involved. Day one consisted of a graphic dramatization of an actual fatal traffic collision involving students from Carter High.



### **Mutual Aid Activity**



The Inland Empire saw record temperatures and wind in April which contributed to hundreds of vegetation fires in the region. Your Rialto firefighters were deployed to the Highway Fire in the Prado Basin of Riverside County. The firefighters were challenged with high temperatures, high wind, limited accessibility and difficult fuels and terrain. The met this challenge helping keep the fire to 1000 acres and no structures were lost. Your firefighters helped our neighbors and gained valuable experience on this incident for which the City will be fully reimbursed for its costs.

### **Department Training**

There are several common denominators in the deaths of firefighters on wildland fires. Significant to navigating these denominators is annual training. This year the entire Rialto Fire Department is completing a four-day course called S-290 Intermediate

Wildland Fire Behavior. The central theme of this course is the understanding of how Fuels, Weather and Topography effect fire growth and its associated risks to firefighters in protecting life and defending property from the wildland fires. This course is part of an ongoing plan for the safety of your Rialto Firefighters in responding to incidents within and outside the City and an extension of a previous staff ride to the site of the Esperanza Fire where five firefighters lost their lives on a wildland fire.



### Fill the Boot

Your Rialto Firefighters, with the assistance from off-duty firefighters and volunteers, conducted their annual Fill the Boot drive to raise funds to give to those in need right here in Rialto. The Rialto community has always supported this very special event and this year was no exception. Over the two days of the event, the gracious people that drove by the intersection of Easton and Riverside gave more than \$26,000. All funds will be used to support our Rialto community members.



### Fire Safety for Toddlers

One of the key elements of the RFD mission is to prevent tragic losses that come with uncontrolled fires. Some of the most tragic fire events are those that involve our youngest community members. New parents and others who care for babies and small children need to pay special attention to fire safety. Children under age 5 are twice as likely to die in a fire than the rest of us. In fact, toddlers age 3 to 4 actually cause a large number of home fires by playing with lighters and matches. When these fires break out, babies and toddlers can't escape without your help. The good news is that tragedies like these are preventable. Some of the steps that parents and caregivers can take include installing and maintaining working smoke alarms; safely storing lighters and matches out of children's reach and sight; and practicing a fire escape plan with small children, which should include helping toddlers understand how to quickly respond in case of fire, and planning how adults can escape with babies. For more information on the steps you can take, visit <http://www.usfa.fema.gov/campaigns/usfaparents/>.



### Arson Awareness Week

Each year during the first full week in May, the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) and the Rialto Fire Department work to raise awareness of arson and provide individuals with strategies to combat it in their community. This year, Arson Awareness Week is May 4-10 and focuses on the use of Accelerant Detecting Canines (ADCs). Canines make an excellent tool for detecting the use of accelerants (gasoline, kerosene, etc.) at a fire as their sense of smell is 100,000 greater than humans. At best, humans can make educated guesses about possible accelerant use and will need to collect an average of



20 samples to send off to a lab for testing. With an ADC, its nose narrows down the guess work, and it winds up taking three samples on average. Higher quality lab samples speed up investigations and result in a higher conviction rate.

Arson is a crime and poses a significant threat to our lives, property, and economy. To find out more about what you can do to prevent and report arson fires, visit the USFA website at [http://www.usfa.fema.gov/fireservice/prevention\\_education/strategies/arson/](http://www.usfa.fema.gov/fireservice/prevention_education/strategies/arson/)

## **CPR and Basic First Aid Training**

Would you know how to help if someone was injured or needed CPR? One of the most important steps that you can take to help your family and friends in a time of need is to learn these basic skills that you can use before the fire department arrives. To help with this, the RFD is offering CPR and basic first aid classes for members of our community. Classes will be held on the third Thursday of each month at fire station 203, located at 1550 N. Ayala Dr.



The classes are offered in two sessions. The CPR class is taught by our certified instructors from 8:00 A.M to 12:00P.M. Upon successful completion, you receive Basic Life Support CPR certification card from the American Heart Association. The cost of the class is \$50.00 which covers all required manuals, AHA certification costs, and your own one-way pocket mask that is used to deliver breaths when performing CPR.



The basic first aid portion of the training then picks up from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. This class uses standardized curriculum to give the student the ability to properly deal with a variety of medical and traumatic events. The cost of this class is \$20.00 which includes instruction, hands-on training, and student manual. Both of these classes offer an excellent opportunity to learn important skills that can save a life. For more information, please contact the Rialto Fire Department at (909) 820-2692.

## **Rialto Fire on Facebook**



There's always something happening at the RFD - news updates, emergency updates, community activities, and more. "Like" us on Facebook now to find out, and get other up-to-date activities, incidents, pictures, videos, and more! Join us at <https://www.facebook.com/rialtofiredepartment>

## **Public Works**

### **Park Clean Up Days**

As part of an effort to make the City Parks a better place to play, the Public Works Department is hosting Park Clean-Up Days on the second Saturday of the month from January through November 2015 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Come join in the raking, trimming, shoveling, sweeping, painting and trash clean-up alongside City's Workers. The dates and locations for 2015 are as follows:

May 9, 2015 .....	Flores Park .....	1020 W. Etiwanda Avenue
June 13, 2015 .....	Jerry Eaves Park.....	1485 N. Ayala Drive
July 11, 2015.....	Fergusson Park.....	2395 W. Sunrise Avenue
August 8, 2015 .....	Frisbie Park.....	1901 N. Acacia Avenue
September 12, 2015.....	Birdsall Park .....	2611 N. Linden Avenue
October 10, 2015 .....	Kristina Dana Hendrickson .....	Riverside Avenue/Second Street Cultural Center/Women's Club
November 14, 2015.....	Metrolink Station/Downtown .....	261 S. Palm Avenue

## Reporting Street Light Outages

If you have issues with your streetlight not working properly you can visit the SCE Outage Center website at [www.sce.com/outagecenter](http://www.sce.com/outagecenter) and submit your request in the "Report a Street Light Outage" page or you can contact SCE directly at (800) 611-1911 to report the outage.

The City maintains the specialty streetlights in the downtown area that have a decorative look to them. If you experience a problem with those streetlights you can contact the Public Works Department at (909) 820-2602 who will submit a work order for repair.

## Engineering News

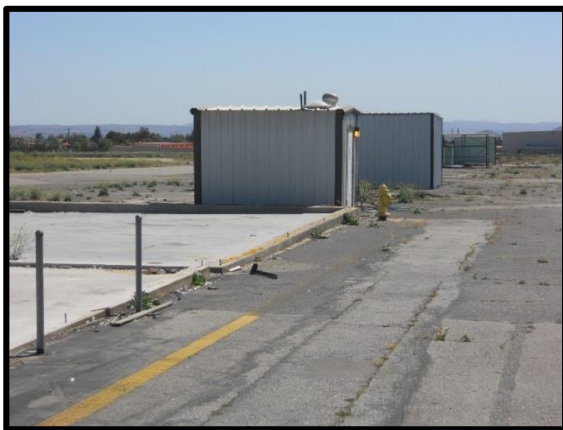
The Public Works Department recently submitted a nomination to the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) for the Pacific Electric Inland Empire Trail (Rails to Trails) for a Sustainability Award. A Sustainability Award is to recognize innovative planning and local development of projects that best coordinate land use and transportation actions to improve the mobility, livability, prosperity and sustainability of the region. There are three categories and criteria for this award which are Active Transportation, Green Region Initiative, and Integrated Planning.

The project was eligible as a candidate for this award because it was submitted and received a grant through the Active Transportation Program (ATP). The Public Works Department was notified that the project was selected to receive SCAG's 2015 Sustainability Award which will be recognized on May 7, 2015 at an Awards Luncheon in conjunction with SCAG's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at the 2015 Regional Conference & General Assembly that will be held in Palm Desert, CA. The Department wants to thank all of the organizations involved with this project in making it a success.

## Project Updates

- **Airport Demolition Project** – Since the commencement of the project, the final tear down of remaining aircraft hangars has been performed or is underway. The next phase of the project will include removal of underground storage tanks, demolition of all horizontal improvements (asphalt, concrete, utilities, etc.) and hazardous materials remediation. The project is estimated to be completed in May/June 2015.





- **SR-210/Pepper Avenue Interchange** – The City is working in conjunction with the San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) for this project which has completed the required environmental documents. The project is currently in the process of finalizing the right-of-way and finishing the design plans, specifications and estimate for construction. The project is anticipated to start construction in late January 2016.



## Land Developments

The following developments were under construction, approved for construction, or in the plan checking review process for the month of April:

- **Developments Currently Under Construction**

- **McDonalds USA, LLC** – Development of a 3,800 sq. ft. drive-thru restaurant at the corner of Cedar Avenue and Foothill Boulevard.
- **SA Golden Investments** – Development of a 5,314 sq. four (4) unit apartment building located at 1529 Ramona Drive.

- **Plan Checks in Review**

- **SA Golden Investments** – Development of a 2,465 sq. ft. single family residence located on Maple Avenue south of Buxton Street.

## Permits Processed

The following permits were process for the month of April:

- **Transportation Permits.** A total of 38 Annual and Single Trip Transportation Permits were processed and issued to various companies.
- **Encroachment Permits.** A total of 22 encroachment permits were process and issued for work to be performed by the utility companies.

## Water Conservation Information

### CONSERVATION REGULATIONS

The City is asking customers for a 10% reduction in water use.

The following restrictions apply:



1. Irrigation may only occur between the hours of 8pm through 6am
2. Prevent water waste from run-off, breaks and leaks
3. Wash down of hardscapes is prohibited
4. Shut off nozzles are required when washing a vehicle
5. If you have a fountain or water feature the water must be re-circulated

### CONNECT WITH US

To report water waste or to ask questions about the Conservation Regulations, rebates, or Regional Programs:

email:  
[utilitybilling@rialtoca.gov](mailto:utilitybilling@rialtoca.gov)

telephone:  
(909) 820-2546

**iEfficient.com #endwaterwaste**  



## DROUGHT ALERT: Mandatory Water Restrictions (See Reverse)

### DID YOU KNOW 70% OF WATER IS FOR OUTDOOR USE?

#### OUTDOOR

- ◆ Use a broom to clean your driveway and patio
- ◆ Water only at night or early in the morning
- ◆ Replace your grass with water-saving, garden-friendly

#### INDOOR

- ◆ Run your washing machine and dishwasher only when full
- ◆ Check your kitchen and bathroom for leaks
- ◆ Replace old toilets and appliances with new, water-efficient

For rebates, water-saving tips, drought updates and more, visit [rialto.ca.gov](http://rialto.ca.gov)



Esta información es importante. Para mas detalles o preguntas llame al numero (909) 820-2546



# FREE LANDSCAPE CLASS

*Learn how to make your yard efficient and beautiful*

Join us for a FREE landscape class:

**When:** Saturday, May 30, 2015  
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

**Where:** West Valley Water District  
855 West Base Line Road, Rialto

Please call (909) 875-1804 extension 300 or email us at [conservation@wvwd.org](mailto:conservation@wvwd.org) to reserve your seat!

This encore class will introduce homeowners to conservation practices and their importance for all residents. We will focus on water-efficient landscaping, use of California-native and drought-tolerant plants, healthy soils, lawn alternatives, and efficient irrigation practices. Each attendee will receive a water saving device and have a chance to win a rain barrel!

Class size is limited. *Sign up TODAY!*

## Solid Waste Management News

### Earth Day

On April 18, 2015 the Public Works Department, Solid Waste Management Division held its annual Earth Day event. Activities included clean-up at the Community Garden, the Downtown Area, the Metrolink Station, Fire Station 204, Frisbie Park, Andresen Park, and the parkways on Cactus Avenue and on Baseline Road. There was a total of 215 volunteers who participated in the event. The Public Works Department would like to give a big **THANK YOU** to everyone that came out and made this event a success.



### Special Event

#### 9th Annual Rialto Community Garden Open House

**Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 10:00-1:00**  
**539 N. Acacia Ave., Rialto**  
**(Behind Grace Lutheran Church)**  
**For more information call 421-7221**



**FREE MULCH!**  
**DONATED BY BURRTEC WASTE**  
**Bring your own bags & shovel!**

### Household Hazardous Waste

During April, the Household Hazardous Waste Site served 245 residents. They brought in 680 gallons of used motor oil, 12 pallets of paint, 9 drums of misc. poisons and other toxic liquids, and 9 barrels of sharps.

During the month of May, the site will be open on Friday and Saturday the 8th and 9th and Friday and Saturday the 22nd and 23rd from 8:00 am until 12:00 noon.

